

Auction announcement Reopening of five-year Federal notes (Bundesobligationen – “Bobls”) series 159 by auction

As already announced in the issue calendar for the first quarter of 2011, the Federal Government will reopen the

2 % five-year Federal notes series 159 of 2011 (2016)
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on 9 February 2011, using an auction procedure. An increase of €5 billion is envisaged for the issue (auction allotment and amount set aside for secondary market operations). The current volume of this series amounts to €6 billion. Members of the Bund Issues Auction Group are entitled to bid.

Time schedule of the auction procedure:

Date of invitation to bid: Tuesday, 8 February 2011

Bidding period: Wednesday, 9 February 2011,
from 8.00 a. m. until 11.00 a. m. Frankfurt time

Inclusion in stock
exchange trading: Wednesday, 9 February 2011

Value date: Friday, 11 February 2011

Characteristics of the five-year Federal notes:

Maturity: 26 February 2016

Interest payment: annually on 26 February, interest has begun to accrue on 14 January 2011

First interest payment: 26 February 2012 for 408 days